



Battle of the Budget

World War II 10th Mountain Division veteran, Charles W. Smith, center, from Plattsburgh, N.Y., salutes with others, during the singing of the National Anthem at the WWII Memorial Sunday, Oct. 13, 2013 in Washington. Four busloads of people, including 43 WWII veterans from the 10th Mountain Division, came to the WWII memorial. The memorial has been closed due to the government shutdown.

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DC crowd pushes through barriers to WWII memorial

WASHINGTON (AP) — A crowd converged on the World War II Memorial on the National Mall, pushing through barriers Sunday morning to protest the memorial's closing under the government shutdown. Republican Sens. Mike Lee and Ted Cruz, along with former Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin, were part of the protest. Cruz and Lee are among the hardcore conservative tea party-backed lawmakers who refused to keep the government operating unless President Barack Obama agreed to defund his signature health care

overhaul. "Let me ask a simple question," Cruz told the crowd. "Why is the federal government spending money to erect barricades to keep veterans out of this memorial?" Black metal barricades have lined the front of the memorial since the government closed Oct. 1. That's when more than 300 National Park Service workers who staff and maintain the National Mall were furloughed. As the crowd entered the memorial plaza, they chanted "Tear down these walls" and "You work for

us." They sang "God bless America" and other songs. "Our vets have proven that they have not been timid, so we will not be timid in calling out any who would use our military, our vets, as pawns in a political game," Palin told the crowd. The memorial has become a political symbol in the bitter fight between Democrats and Republicans over who is at fault since the shutdown began on Oct. 1. Earlier rallies have focused on allowing access for World War II veterans visiting from across the country with the Honor Flight Network.

Sunday's rally was more political. A protest by truckers converged with a rally by a group called the Million Vet March at the World War II Memorial. Participants cut the links between metal barriers at the National Park Service site and pushed them aside. Later, some protesters carried metal barricades that look like bicycle racks from the memorial to the White House and stacked them up outside the gates, confronting police in riot gear. Some protesters carried signs reading "Impeach Obama."

Police moved the protesters back to set up barricades between the crowd and the White House gate. Some protesters chanted "shame on you" at the officers. An armored police vehicle also was sent to the World War II Memorial as people lingered there. District of Columbia police said the crowd was dispersing by 1 p.m., about four hours after the protests began. U.S. Park Police said there had been one arrest at the Lincoln Memorial for assault, but it was not related to the protest, said Lt. Pamela Smith. □

Egypt not expected to be hit hard by U.S. aid cuts

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WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. decision to suspend delivery of tanks, helicopters and fighter jets to Egypt is more of a symbolic slap than a punishing wound to the military-backed government for its slog toward a return to democratic rule.

Egypt is awash in the tanks and planes it would need to fight a conventional war, and spare parts from U.S. manufacturers will continue to be delivered. The Obama administration's announcement Wednesday did sound a warning that it no longer can be "business as usual" with Cairo, as President Barack Obama put it, after the July 3 military coup that ousted Mohammed Morsi, the country's first democratically elected president, and led to the deaths of hundreds in police crackdowns on demonstrators.

In the short run, the suspension of hundreds of millions of dollars in aid will have little effect on Egypt's military and its ability to defend itself. The cutoff probably will not do much damage to most of the companies with contracts to build such weapons. The State Department did not say how much of the \$1.5 billion in annual military and economic aid to Egypt was affected. It held up the delivery of Apache helicopters, F-16 fighter jets, M1A1 Abrams tank kits, which are put together in Egyptian factories, and Harpoon anti-ship missiles.

The U.S. also is withholding \$260 million in cash assistance to the government until "credible progress" is made toward an inclusive government set up through free and fair elections.

The U.S. will keep providing support for health and education and counterterrorism; spare military parts; military training and education; and border security and security assistance in the Sinai Pen-



This undated file photo provided by the General Dynamics Land System shows the production of an Abrams tank in Lima, Ohio. The U.S. decision to suspend delivery of tanks, helicopters and fighter jets to Egypt is more of a symbolic slap than a punishing wound to the military-backed government for its slow slog toward a return to democratic rule.

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insula. Near-daily attacks against security forces and soldiers in the Sinai have increasingly resembled a full-fledged insurgency.

"If they really wanted to hurt Egypt, the U.S. would suspend maintenance and logistic support," said Robert Springborg, an expert on the Egyptian military at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California.

Shana Marshall of the Institute for Middle East Studies at George Washington University, said the Egyptians are "almost saturated with Abrams tanks. They are literally sitting in warehouses."

Marshall noted that the Egyptians will still receive spare parts, maintenance and technical advisers. "That's what they really need from the U.S."

Marshall suggested that Egypt's public expressions of dismay at the White House decision were designed to help the Obama administration make it appear as if the U.S. were taking tough action.

The Egyptian military has

offered no official reaction. Before the announcement, the military chief, Gen. Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi, said only that while Egypt has "strategic relations" with the U.S., it won't tolerate pressure.

The Foreign Ministry called the decision "wrong" and "ill-timed."

It said Egypt will work to secure its "vital needs" on national security, a thinly veiled threat that it would shop elsewhere for arms and military hardware.

The military-backed government enjoys the support of key Arab nations such as Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. These allies have poured billions of dollars into Egypt's anemic coffers and are likely to continue to win the common fight against Islamists. Morsi was a leader of the Islamic Muslim Brotherhood.

"I don't see any reason why the Egyptians couldn't buy surplus F-16s, Abrams tanks and Harpoon missiles from Saudi Arabia or Turkey or anywhere else," Marshall said. "Now, if the U.S. went to the United Na-

tions and tried to declare an arms embargo against Egypt, then that would be pretty serious."

When the aid shipments do resume, it's possible that the kind of military goods provided will look different. For years, the U.S. has tried to wean the Egyptian military off the large tanks and planes used to fight a conventional war and get Cairo to buy counterterrorism items such as surveillance systems and electronics equipment. So far the military has resisted, partly because of the U.S.-Egyptian co-production tank program, which creates jobs in Egypt.

The U.S. decision is not expected to hurt giant U.S. defense manufacturers, but there could be ripple effects down the road at places such as a tank plant in Lima, Ohio, if the factory can't find other countries to buy the hulking tanks, each weighing close to 70 tons.

The Joint Systems Manufacturing Center, which is operated by General Dynamics' Land Systems divi-

sion, is the only remaining plant that builds the tanks.

"For a program like Boeing's Apache helicopter, it's a blip on the radar screen because they are rebuilding hundreds of helicopters for the Army," defense analyst Loren Thompson of the Lexington Institute said. "But for a place like the tank plant, which is already on the edge, it can have outsized consequences."

The U.S. military is not buying the tanks, so the plant — Lima's fifth-largest employer with close to 700 employees — depends heavily on overseas sales. Egypt is one of the more reliable buyers.

The Harpoon anti-ship missiles, made by Boeing, are also purchased by other countries.

The Pentagon no longer is buying F-16 fighter jets, which General Dynamics makes.

The planes are being used by other nations, including some in the Middle East. The U.S. now buys the more advanced F-35 Joint Strike Fighter.

"One of the appeals of the F-16 for the U.S. government in terms of overseas sales is that it is a capable fighter, but it is not deemed a threat to Israel," Thompson said. "So there is a greater willingness to sell the F-16 in the Middle East."

Defense officials are working to figure out how much the U.S. will have to pay contractors for the costs, such as storage, associated with holding up the delivery of the military ware and whether the delay triggers any financial penalties. The F-16s and Apaches, for example, were about ready to be shipped.

Congressional aides have estimated that these "wind up" costs could amount to a half a billion dollars or more.

It's unclear how long the suspension in aid will last.

Springborg speculated that it would end in a few months after an Egyptian constitution is ratified and elections are held. □



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Spending stumbling block to budget deal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate Republicans and Democrats hit an impasse over spending in their last-ditch struggle to avoid an economy-jarring default in just four days and end a partial government shutdown that enters its third week. After inconclusive talks between President Barack Obama and House Republicans, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid and Minority Leader Mitch McConnell took charge in trying to end the crises, although a conversation Sunday afternoon failed to break the stalemate.

"I'm optimistic about the prospects for a positive conclusion to the issues before this country today," Reid said as the Senate wrapped up a rare Sunday session. The two cagey negotiators are at loggerheads over Democratic demands to undo the automatic, across-the-board spending cuts to domestic and defense programs that Republicans see as crucial to reducing the nation's deficit.

McConnell insisted that a solution was readily available in the proposal from a bipartisan group of 12 senators, led by Republican Sen. Susan Collins and Democratic Sen. Joe Manchin, that would re-open the government and fund it at current levels for six months while raising the debt limit through Jan. 31. "It's time for Democrat leaders to take 'yes' for an answer," McConnell said in a statement. The U.S. government has been partially shut since Oct. 1 be-

cause of Congress' failure to pass a normally routine temporary spending bill. Separately, Obama wants Congress to extend the government's borrowing authority — another matter that usually had been routine. The latest snag comes as 350,000 federal workers remain idle, hundreds of thousands more work without pay and an array of government services, from home loan applications to environmental inspections, remain on hold on the 13th day of the shutdown. Last week, the effects of the shutdown reached businesses, such as concessions and hotels near federal parks, that depend on government programs. Many national parks and monuments remain closed, drawing a protest at the National World War II Memorial on Sunday that included tea party-backed conservative lawmakers who had unsuccessfully demanded defunding of Obama's 3-year-old signature health care law in exchange for keeping the government open.

Unnerving to world economies is the prospect of the United States defaulting on its financial obligations on Thursday if Congress fails to raise the borrowing authority above the \$16.7 trillion debt limit.

Christine Lagarde, the International Monetary Fund's managing director, spoke fearfully about the disruption and uncertainty, warning of a "risk of tipping, yet again, into recession" after the fitful recovery from the 2008

global recession. The reaction of world financial markets and the Dow Jones on Monday will influence any congressional talks.

Congress is racing the clock to get a deal done, faced with time-consuming Senate procedures that could slow legislation, likely opposition from hardcore conservative tea party-backed lawmakers, and certain resistance in the Republican-led House of Representatives before a bill gets to Obama.

Politically, Republicans are reeling, bearing a substantial amount of the blame for the government shutdown and stalemate, according to recent polls..

"We're in a free-fall as Republicans, but Democrats are not far behind," said Republican Sen. Lindsey Graham, in warning Democrats about seizing on the Republicans' bruised brand as leverage to ex-



Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid of Nevada takes the elevator after a rare Senate session on Capitol Hill in Washington, Sunday, Oct. 13, 2013. Senate Republicans and Democrats hit an impasse Sunday over spending in their last-ditch struggle to avoid an economy-jarring default in just four days and end a partial government shutdown that's entering its third week.

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tract more concessions. McConnell and Republicans want to continue current spending at \$986.7 billion and leave untouched the new round of cuts in January, commonly known as the sequester, that

would reduce the amount to \$967 billion. Democrats want to figure out a way to undo the reductions, plus a long-term extension of the debt limit increase and a short-term spending bill to reopen the government. □



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Statue of Liberty reopens amid federal shutdown



The Statue of Liberty looms over the visitors below her in New York Harbor, Sunday, Oct. 13, 2013, in New York. The Statue of Liberty reopened to the public after the state of New York agreed to shoulder the costs of running the site during the partial federal government shutdown. **Associated Press**

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Associated Press
NEW YORK (AP) — Lady Liberty was once again welcoming visitors to her shores Sunday after New York state agreed to shoulder the costs of running

the famed statue during the federal government shutdown. Eager sightseers stood in line in Manhattan's Battery Park, waiting for the ferry trips to the Statue of Liberty, which had been shut since Oct. 1.

Simon and Dominik Balz, brothers visiting from Bern, Switzerland, had booked their trip in May, with the statue among their planned stops. The shutdown had made that seem impossible, "so we were very disappointed," Simon Balz said. That disappointment turned into excitement when they found out about the reopening. The statue is "well-known all over the world," he said. "It's very special."

Esther Athanase, a 26-year-old au pair from Le Havre, France, was using a ticket she'd booked months ago with a friend. "We have to do this," she said. "It's an American symbol. And it was a gift from France."

Ahmed Albin-Hamad, 24, a Saudi Arabian student at Drexel University in Pennsylvania, said he came to Battery Park to get a view of the statue.

"I assumed it was closed, but at least I could see it," he said. He was surprised and excited when he found out the statue had reopened.

Gov. Andrew Cuomo announced Friday that the state would pay about \$61,600 a day to reopen Liberty Island National Park through Oct. 17. If the shutdown is not resolved by then, officials said, they will renegotiate to keep it open. On Sunday, Cuomo said it was in the state's economic interest to make sure the statue was accessible. "When you close down the Statue of Liberty, you close down a good portion of the tourism that comes to New York City, and that is untold millions of dollars of damage," he

said. New York has 33 sites under the jurisdiction of the National Park Service, and they have been shut since Oct. 1 during the partial federal government shutdown. The sites include the statue and the nearby Ellis Island Immigration Museum, which has remained closed for repairs since Superstorm Sandy hit a year ago. Nearly 4 million people visited Lady Liberty in 2011, generating \$174 million in economic activity, the park service said.

Governors in several other states have asked for authority to reopen parks within their borders, citing economic losses from closures. Arizona reopened the Grand Canyon on Saturday. Mount Rushmore National Memorial in South Dakota and Rocky Mountain National Park in Colorado are also reopening along with several parks in Utah, according to the parks service website. □



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2 arrested for shooting 5 at Hmong festival in Oklahoma

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TULSA, Oklahoma (AP) —

Police arrested two men Sunday suspected in the shooting of five people at a traditional Hmong New Year's festival that has rattled this peaceful, tight-knit immigrant community in east Tulsa.

Some feared that the rampage could deter other Hmong from attending upcoming cultural celebrations, including one set for later this month.

"It's really sad because a lot of people do not feel safe to go to the other New Year's celebrations. I know there are people who don't want to attend that anymore," said Jova Xiong, who attended Saturday's celebration along with hundreds of other Hmong people and heard the gunfire break out. "It's very sad because this is the only time we really get to embrace our culture and unite as one. 'And I know a lot of other people will not come (to the Oct. 26-27 event) because of that,' she said. Hmong are an Asian ethnic group mainly from Laos and number between 3,000 and 4,000 in Tulsa. Many have traveled to Tulsa from across the country during recent years seeking jobs.

Two men have been taken into custody and face multiple charges in the wounding of five people at Saturday's festival, authorities said Sunday. Authorities were holding 21-year-old Boonmlee Lee and 19-year-old Meng Lee, both of Tulsa. Each faces five counts of shooting with intent to kill plus firearms charges. It was not clear

from jail records whether each had an attorney.

Tulsa police spokesman Capt. Steve Odom said a gun was recovered but that it will have to be tested to see if it is linked to the Saturday night shooting. Odom said the alleged shooters and the victims were all Hmong and that there was "probably a relationship" between the men charged and the victims.

The suspects were arrested shortly after the attack, which happened about 8 p.m. A police helicopter that was in the area spotted a car driving away from the scene with its headlights off and notified officers on the ground, who pulled it over.

The suspects had thrown clothes and a semi-automatic handgun believed to have been used in the attack out of the vehicle, police said.

A witness at the party described the chaotic scene, as people lined up to get dinner were sent running and ducking for cover when the shots rang out. There were at least 200 people at the celebration, which festival-goers likened to a Thanksgiving celebration in America.

For Xiong, who was walking with her family to get dinner Saturday night at the festival, she heard a loud 'pop' sound, but didn't think anything of it at first, believing it was a balloon. "Then I realized we didn't have any balloons over there, and then everyone started standing up and taking cover," she said in an interview Sunday with The Associated Press. "Some people were crying



This photo released by the Tulsa County Jail shows Boonmlee Lee, 21, left, and Meng Lee, 19, right, the two men suspected of a shooting at a traditional Hmong New Year's festival that left five people injured in Tulsa, Okla., Saturday Oct. 12, 2013.

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Spokeswomen for the two Tulsa hospitals where the victims were transported

said they could not release information on the condition of the wounded Sunday, citing the ongoing police investigation. □

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Relative charged in NYC 'Baby Hope' killing



Conrado Juarez, cousin and confessed killer of 4-year-old Anjelica Castillo, nicknamed Baby Hope, waits to be arraigned at Manhattan Criminal Court, Saturday, Oct. 12, 2013, in New York. During an interrogation early Saturday, Juarez admitted sexually assaulting and smothering her before disposing her body.

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NEW YORK (AP) — New York City detectives have solved the decades-old mystery of "Baby Hope," a little girl whose naked body was discovered inside a picnic cooler beside a Manhattan highway in 1991 and remained unidentified until now. They arrested a relative of the child after he admitted he sexually assaulted and smothered her.

Conrado Juarez, 52, was arrested and arraigned Saturday on a felony murder charge. He pleaded not guilty.

Manhattan Assistant District Attorney Melissa Mourges, chief of the cold case unit and the original prosecutor on the case in 1991, told a judge at Juarez's arraignment that he had admitted sexually abusing the child before smothering her. Mourges said Juarez then enlisted the aid of his sister who helped him dispose of the body.

They were cousins of the girl's father, Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly said. The girl's name, age and circumstances of her death were unknown for more than two decades. But earlier this week, police announced that a new tip and a DNA test had allowed them to finally identify the baby's mother, a dramatic turnaround in one of the city's more notorious cold cases.

On Saturday, they also revealed the girl's name: Anjelica Castillo, age 4.

The child's naked, malnourished corpse was discovered on July 23, 1991, beside the Henry Hudson Parkway by construction workers who smelled some-

thing rotten. Detectives thought she might have been suffocated but had few other clues as to what happened.

The case became an obsession for some investigators who nicknamed the girl "Baby Hope." Hundreds of people attended a funeral for the unknown girl in 1993. Her body was exhumed for DNA testing in 2007, and then again in 2011.

In July, detectives tried another round of publicity on the 22nd anniversary of the discovery. They canvassed the neighborhood where her body was found, hung fliers, circulated sketches of the girl and a photograph of the cooler and announced a \$12,000 reward for information leading to an arrest.

Former detective Jerry Giorgio, who had the case from 1991 until his retirement over the summer, said he remained confident the case could be solved. Assistant Chief Joseph Reznick, who also worked the case, said they never gave up.

"I think reflecting back on what we named this little girl, Baby Hope, I think it's the most accurate name we could have come up with," Reznick said.

Giorgio left the NYPD and went to the Manhattan district attorney's cold case squad, from which he retired this year. "I missed the tipster call by a couple of weeks, damn it," he said.

The tipster, who saw the recent news stories on the case, led police to Anjelica's sister, who told detectives she thought her sister had been killed. Police matched DNA from Anjelica to their mother. The mother, who was not identified, didn't have custody

of Anjelica at the time of the girl's death — she had been living with relatives on the father's side, including Balvina Juarez-Ramirez, police said.

Juarez-Ramirez is the sister of Juarez. Police closed in on the suspect and waited for him Friday outside a Manhattan restaurant where he worked as a dishwasher. He told them he noticed Anjelica while visiting the family apartment and killed her, police said.

"When she went motionless, he summoned his sister from another room," Kelly said.

Then, the sister got the blue cooler — which still contained full cans of Coke. They took a livery cab from Queens to Manhattan where they dumped the cooler, then separated.

Her parents never reported her missing, though they had contact with the suspect. Juarez had never been considered a suspect before. Police refused to say whether he had previous arrests or had been accused in other sexual assaults.

Kelly called the arrest a superb case of detective work, and said he was proud of his officers.

"For me, it makes you proud to be a member of this organization — they were unrelenting," he said. The detectives assigned to the case were instrumental in organizing a burial in a Bronx cemetery for the girl in 1993. Hundreds attended the funeral; Reznick gave the eulogy. The girl was dressed in a white frock and buried in a white coffin.

The detectives paid for the girl's headstone that reads: "Because we care." □

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KABUL, Afghanistan (AP)

— The U.S. and Afghan President Hamid Karzai reached an agreement in principle Saturday on the major elements of a deal that would allow American troops to stay in Afghanistan after 2014.

However, U.S. officials said a potentially deal-breaking issue of jurisdiction over those forces must still be worked out with some political and tribal leaders in Afghanistan.

U.S. officials traveling with U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry said the deal negotiated with Karzai meets all American conditions, including on the jurisdiction issue, and that all that remains is for Karzai to win political approval for it.

During the talks, Kerry made frequent phone calls back to Washington, speaking with Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel and national security adviser Susan Rice multiple times, the officials said.

The American contingent was hopeful that a national consultative assembly of tribal elders, or Loya Jirga, and the Afghan parliament would approve the agreement, the officials said. They requested anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the agreement by name.

Kerry spoke with Karzai after a marathon series of meetings and repeated delays of Kerry's departure from Afghanistan. Both men later said agreement had been reached on a series of contentious sovereignty issues and the safety of Afghan citizens at the hands of American and allied troops that had dead-

locked talks in the past year.

But Karzai said he would punt the issue of who has jurisdiction for any crimes committed by U.S. forces in Afghanistan after 2014 to the Loya Jirga that he has asked to be convened within a month. Their opinion on whether to approve or disapprove an American demand that its forces be remanded to U.S. military courts would then be sent to the Afghan parliament. Kerry responded that any decision made by the Loya Jirga and parliament would be respected, but he added that if the jurisdiction issue was not resolved there would be no agreement.

In Iraq, a similar deal fell apart after U.S. officials were unable to reach an agreement with the Iraqis on the same issue that would have allowed a small training and counterterrorism force to remain there. The United States completely pulled out of Iraq after the deal collapsed.

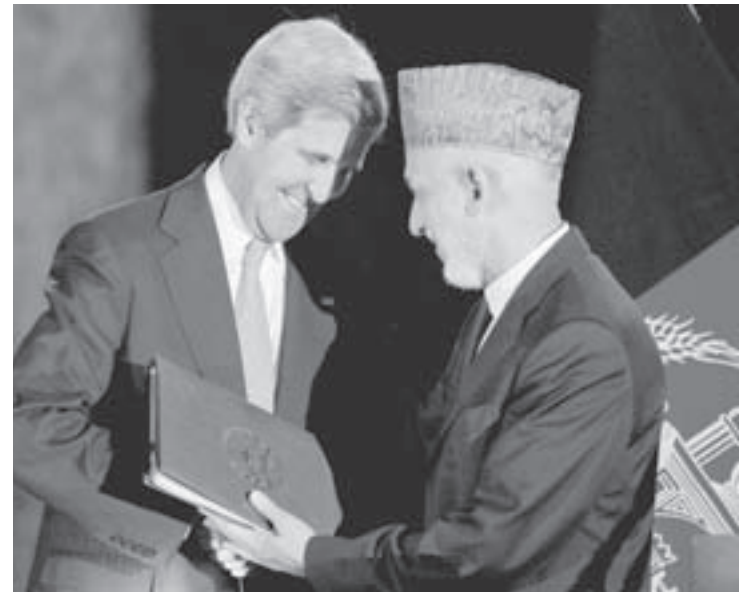
The jurisdiction issue came to the fore after an American soldier, Staff Sgt. Robert Bales, killed 16 people in two villages in southern Afghanistan last year. He was convicted in August by a military court and sentenced to life in prison with no chance of release.

Kerry explained that the issue should not be equated with immunity, as it is perceived by many Afghans. He said the United States would prosecute any wrongdoing and that similar agreements existed with many countries, like Japan and South Korea.

Kerry began negotiations with Karzai in the morning, the second day of talks after he arrived late Friday.

He left shortly after the last meeting, headed for Europe and the United States. Discussions had repeatedly stalled in recent weeks over Karzai's demand for American guarantees against future foreign intervention from countries like Pakistan, and U.S. demands for any post-2014 residual force to be able to conduct counterterrorism and counterinsurgency operations.


The situation deteriorated in the past week following a series of angry comments from Karzai that the United States and NATO were repeatedly violating Afghanistan's sovereignty and inflicting suffering on its people.



U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry, left, leans in toward Afghan President Hamid Karzai as they say goodbye at the end of a news conference announcing a tentative agreement between the two countries at the Presidential Palace during Kerry's unannounced stop in Kabul, Afghanistan, on Saturday, Oct. 12, 2013, as a deadline approaches for a security deal about the future of U.S. troops in the country.

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Mass evacuation before Indian cyclone limited toll

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BEHRAMPUR, India (AP) —

Mass evacuations spared India the widespread deaths many had feared from a powerful weekend cyclone, officials said, as people picked up belongings and started repairing flooded towns, tangled power lines and tens of thousands of destroyed thatch homes.

Cyclone Phailin, the strongest tropical storm to hit India in more than a decade, destroyed hundreds of millions of dollars' worth of crops, but a day after it made landfall in Orissa state on the country's east coast, authorities said they knew of only 17 fatalities.

The final toll is expected to climb as officials reach



A man stands on the balcony of his house on whose top a mobile tower has fallen at the cyclone hit Humma village on the Bay of Bengal coast in Ganjam district, Orissa state, India, Sunday, Oct. 13, 2013. India began sorting through miles of wreckage Sunday after Cyclone Phailin roared ashore, flooding towns and villages and destroying tens of thousands of thatch homes, but officials said massive evacuation efforts had spared the east coast from widespread loss of life.

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power lines sagged nearly to the ground and a strong surf churned off the coast. But some shops were opened, doing brisk business selling bottled drinks and snacks, and locals expressed relief that the damage wasn't worse.

A mermaid statue remained standing on Gopalpur's boardwalk, where most decorative street lamps still stood along with most of the city's buildings. "Everyone feels very lucky," said Prabhati Das, a 40-year-old woman who came from the town of Behrampur, about 10 kilometers (7 miles) inland, to see the aftermath at the coast.

A cargo ship carrying iron ore, the MV Bingo, sank Saturday as the cyclone barreled through the Bay of Bengal. Its crew of 17 Chinese and one Indonesian were being rescued Sunday evening after their lifeboat was found about 185 kilometers (115 miles) off the Indian coast, coast guard Commandant Sharad Matri said.

Phailin weakened significantly after making landfall as a Category 4 storm, with sustained winds of up to 210 kilometers per hour (131 miles per hour), according to Indian meteorologists.

Those numbers were slightly lower than the last advisory issued by the U.S. Navy's Hawaii-based Joint Typhoon Warning Center, which reported maximum sustained winds of about 222 kph (138 mph) and gusts up to 268 kph (167 mph) four hours before the storm hit land.

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areas of the cyclone-battered coast that remain isolated by downed communication links and blocked roads, but the evacuation of nearly 1 million people appeared to have saved many lives.

"Damage to property is extensive," said Amitabh Thakur, the top police officer in the Orissa district worst-hit by the cyclone. "But few lives have been lost," he said Sunday, crediting the mass evacuations. On the highway to the seaside city of Gopalpur, where the storm made landfall early Saturday night, two tractor-trailers with shattered windshields were lying on their sides, while a hotel nearby was in tatters, with tables and chairs strewn about. "We were terrified," A-1 Hotel owner Mihar Ranjan said of himself and 14 other people who had been huddling inside when the wind ripped the tin roof off the building.

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Egypt: Detained U.S. citizen found dead in cell

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CAIRO (AP) — The Egyptian government said a U.S. citizen it detained in the Sinai Peninsula last month for violating curfew was found dead Sunday in his jail cell, the second foreigner to die in detention in recent weeks.

The U.S. Embassy in Cairo confirmed that an American citizen held prisoner in the Suez Canal city of Ismailia died from an apparent suicide and that it was in contact with Egyptian authorities. It had no further comment.

In Washington, the State Department identified the American as James Lunn and said U.S. consular officials in Cairo were informed of his arrest on Aug. 28, a day after the Egyptians detained him. Consular officials had been in touch with Egyptian authorities and Lunn since, it said.

A statement by the Egyptian Interior Ministry, which is in charge of police, said Lunn was detained on Aug. 27 during "combing operations" that followed a car bombing outside a police station in the turbulent northern region of Sinai. It said a computer and maps of "important installations" were found in his possession. It did not identify the facilities.

Lunn, it continued, was remanded in police custody and was remanded again for 30 days by a court on Saturday. He was found hanged on Sunday at the door of the bathroom of his cell block in an Ismailia police station. Lunn had a visit from a U.S. consulate official last Tuesday, it added. A coroner has been appointed to determine the cause of death, the statement said.

Security officials earlier said

he was a retired U.S. Army officer, a claim denied by the State Department. Lunn arrived in Cairo from the Gulf kingdom of Bahrain on Aug. 25, Egyptian officials said. They had said he was detained by army troops in Sinai three days later while making his way to the border crossing with Gaza in the town of Rafah. He was flown to Ismailia on a military aircraft and handed over to the police there, the officials said. Jailers found him dead after he used his belt and shoe laces to hang himself, the officials said. They spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak to journalists.

The Interior Ministry and the security officials earlier mistakenly identified the American as James Henry Allen and James Henry. Such confusion is common in Egypt in the case of foreign names that are transliterated from English, often with some liberty.

The American is the second foreigner to die in Egyptian custody since last month. Then, authorities said cell mates beat a French man to death after his arrest in Cairo's upscale district of Zamalek for violating curfew.

The latest death is likely to revive the furor about poor conditions and human rights violations in Egyptian jails. Two Canadian citizens jailed for weeks before their release last week complained of torture and inhuman conditions.

However, the State Department said Lunn had at no time complained to U.S. consular officials that he had been maltreated by the Egyptians. It confirmed the Egyptians' claim that Lunn was last visited by a U.S. consular officer on



Egyptians gather around the remains of a Soviet-made MiG-21 fighter jet belonging to the Egyptian air force that crashed Sunday, while on a training mission near the southern ancient city of Luxor, which officials said killed a villager on the ground and injured several. The pilot bailed out and parachuted safely to the ground before the plane crashed in a rural area outside of Luxor, setting several houses on fire and damaging an elementary school.

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Oct. 8.

The American's arrest came at a time when the military and security forces are fighting Islamic militants in northern Sinai, where they have been attacked daily since the overthrow of Islamist President Mohammed Morsi in a July 3 military coup. Authorities have arrested more

than 2,000 Morsi supporters since, including leaders of his Muslim Brotherhood, in the biggest campaign against Islamists since the early 1980s.

Authorities slapped a nighttime curfew on much of Egypt in August following a wave of violence stemming from the popularly backed military coup.

Meanwhile Sunday, a Soviet-made MiG-21 fighter jet belonging to the Egyptian air force crashed while on a training mission near the southern ancient city of Luxor, killing a villager on the ground and injuring three, officials said. The pilot bailed out and parachuted safely to the ground. □



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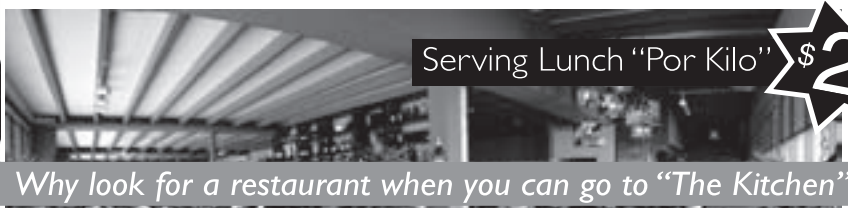
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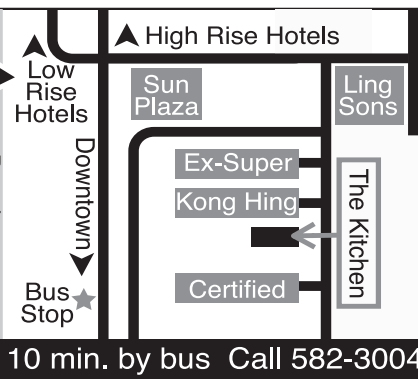


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Officials: Attacks across Iraq kill at least 42



Security forces inspect the site of a car bomb attack in Basra, 340 miles (550 kilometers) southeast of Baghdad, Iraq, Sunday, Oct. 13, 2013.

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Associated Press

BAGHDAD (AP) — A string of bombings Sunday across Iraq, many in Shiite-majority

cities, killed at least 42 people and wounded dozens, officials said, a grim reminder of the government's failure to stem the

uptick in violence that is feeding sectarian tensions in the country.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the latest attacks, but waves of bombings are frequently used by al-Qaida's Iraq branch.

The Sunni militant group and other Sunni extremists often targets Shiite civilians in an effort to undermine the Shiite-led government. Al-Qaida's extremist ideology considers Shiites heretics.

The deadliest of Sunday's attacks, many of which struck busy commercial areas, happened in the southern city of Hillah, 95 kilometers (60 miles) south of Baghdad. Back-to-back car bombings hit an outdoor market there, killing

eight people and wounding 22, police said.

Two parked car bombs ripped through a commercial area in the city of Suwayrah, 40 kilometers (25 miles) south of Baghdad, killing five people and wounding 14. Two other car bombs exploded simultaneously in the city of Kut, 160 kilometers (100 miles) southeast of Baghdad, killing four and wounded 16, according to police.

In the nearby city of Samawah, 370 kilometers (230 miles) southeast of Baghdad, four people were killed and 13 wounded when two car bombs exploded. Two other car bombs killed three and wounded 13 in the city of Diwaniyah, 130 kilometers (80 miles) south of the capital.

Samarra was struck twice Sunday, a day after a car bombing in the Sunni-dominated city left 17 dead. The memory of the 2006 bombing of the city's al-Askari Shiite shrine still haunts many Iraqis because it set off years of retaliatory bloodshed between Sunni and Shiite extremists.

Two people were killed and 15 were wounded in the morning when a car

bomb exploded near a group of mourners at a funeral for some of the previous day's dead. A suicide bomber struck a security checkpoint near the shrine in the Sunni-dominated city later in the day, killing four and wounding 10, said Mizhar Fleih, the deputy head of the municipal council there.

In other violence Sunday, police reported five people killed and 34 wounded in the southern city of Basra and the central towns of Mahmoudiyah and Maidain.

In the western Baghdad neighborhood of Sadiyah, police said a bomb went off near a row of shops, killing two people and wounding nine others. Three others were killed in a blast near a soccer field in Baghdad's mainly Shiite southeastern suburb of Nahrwan. Yet another bomb exploded in the western Amariyah neighborhood, killing two and wounding 10, police said.

Medical officials confirmed the casualties. The police and hospital officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to talk to the media. □

Argentine president leaves hospital after surgery

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina

(AP) — Argentine President Cristina Fernandez was being released from a hospital on Sunday, five days after undergoing surgery for a cranial blood clot, but doctors said she needs another month of rest.

Doctors at the Fundacion Favaloro hospital issued a statement saying she should be in "strict repose" and should avoid air travel for 30 days. Still, her spokes-

man Alfredo Scoccimarro said she was recovering well and is "in excellent spirits."

That period of rest would keep her out of the campaign for legislative elections on Oct. 27. Polls indicate that her party could suffer losses.

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Venezuela navy escorts seized oil vessel into port

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Associated Press

CARACAS, Venezuela
(AP) — A U.S.-chartered

oil exploration ship seized by the Venezuelan navy in Caribbean waters disputed with neighboring Guyana was escorted into port at Venezuela's Margarita Island on Sunday.

Venezuelan authorities said the ship's 36 crew members, including five U.S. citizens and two Brazilians, would be held on board while an investigation continued.

Adm. Angel Belisario Martinez told local station Union Radio that the research ship was conducting

"unauthorized scientific work" in Venezuela's exclusive economic zone. He said the case had been turned over to prosecutors.

Venezuela's Foreign Ministry had said Friday that the ship and its crew would be subject to an "inquiry under the International Maritime Law and pursuant to the safeguarding of our sovereignty in maritime areas." The 285-foot survey ship Teknik Perdana was detained by Venezuelan sailors Thursday in con-

tested waters off the coast of Guyana. The seizure is threatening to revive a decades-old territorial dispute between Venezuela, South America's biggest oil producer, and Guyana, one of the region's poorest countries.

The vessel, sailing under a Panamanian flag, was conducting a seismic study for Anadarko Petroleum Corp. under a concession from Guyana. Guyana's government says the crew was well within Guyana's territorial waters.

Texas-based Anadarko said it was working with the U.S. and Guyanese governments to secure the release of the crew and the vessel.

Gregory Adams, spokesman for the U.S. Embassy in Caracas, told The Associated Press that the embassy had not been given any official information on the five detained U.S. citizens.

The ship's crew also includes two Britons, two Russians, a Frenchman, five Ukrainians, two Brazilians, five Malaysians and 14 Indonesians.

Guyana's government on Saturday requested a meeting with Venezuelan



In this photo provided by the Diario El Sol de Margarita, a ship carrying five American oil workers sits docked on the shore in Margarita Island, Venezuela, Sunday Oct. 13, 2013.

Associated Press

officials next week to discuss the seizure, which its Foreign Ministry earlier called an "unprecedented" act in Guyana-Venezuela relations.

Venezuela has for decades claimed two-thirds of Guyana's territory as its own, arguing that the gold-rich region west of the Essequibo River was

stolen from it by an 1899 agreement with Britain and its then colony. The area is a fixture of 19th century maps of Gran Colombia, the short-lived republic revered by the late Venezuelan leader Hugo Chavez.

Ties between the two countries had improved recently.

Chavez's successor, Nicolas Maduro, made his first visit as president to Georgetown in August to discuss joint oil projects with his Guyanese counterpart, Donald Ramotar. During the visit, Maduro described the dispute as a relic of the colonial era and vowed to peacefully resolve the issue. □



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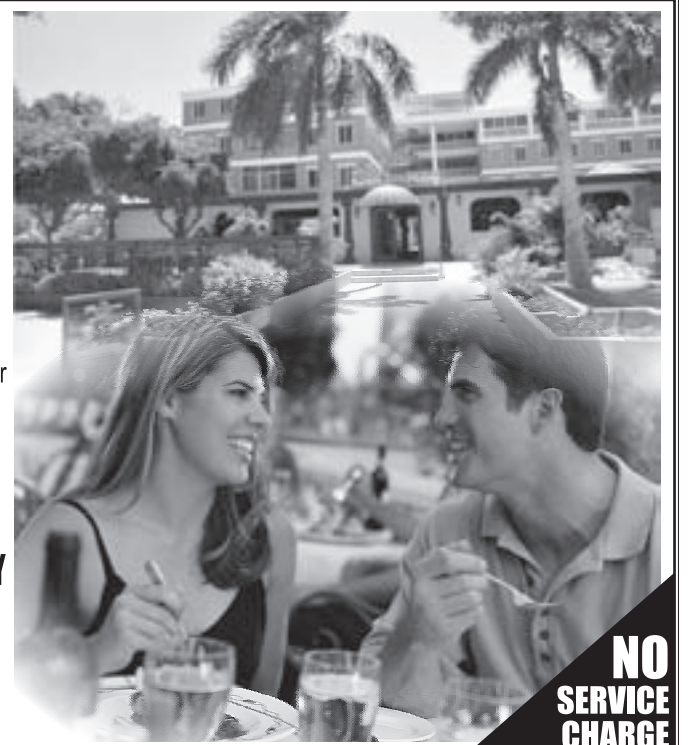


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Impunity feared in Colombia military justice law

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BOGOTA, Colombia (AP)

— The crimes were shocking, even for a country hardened by the atrocities of decades of internal conflict.

Colombian troops had killed hundreds of innocent civilians for no apparent reason other than to boost rebel body counts, U.N. investigators found. Typically, the victims were down-on-their-luck men lured to their deaths with job promises then dressed in military fatigues and registered as guerrillas slain in combat.

Five years after the scandal broke, roughly one-sixth of the soldiers accused have gone to trial or pleaded guilty, only a handful of the convicted holding the rank of major or higher. In all, authorities registered some 3,900 cases of alleged extrajudicial killings involving security force members.

Human rights activists say they are afraid a new law pushed through Congress by President Juan Manuel Santos in June will make it even harder to pursue those responsible, particularly senior officers. The law, which is under review by the Constitutional Court, would broaden the military justice system's jurisdiction and narrow the definition of extrajudicial killings.

Santos says the reform is needed to assure armed forces members they have nothing to fear from making peace with the country's main leftist rebel group, the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC.

But activists fear the reforms could hinder prosecutions of past and future war crimes by security force members and thus



In this April 7, 2011 file photo, students hold up a sign that reads in Spanish "Impunity Soacha equals false positives" during a protest where police stand guard in Bogotá, Colombia. Military jargon identifies a "positive" as a slain enemy combatant. Authorities are investigating some 3,900 cases of alleged extrajudicial killings involving security force members

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hurt prospects for peace talks launched in Cuba last year.

The FARC has denounced the military justice reform as granting "a pirate's banner to people who have committed terrible crimes against humanity." Some rebels also face war crimes accusations, but the military justice reform applies only to uniformed personnel.

"Why does the Santos government, if it's in a peace process, present legislation that strengthens impunity?" asked leftist congressman Ivan Cepeda. "It's incoherent and complicates matters."

The U.S. Congress is also concerned about impunity in what are known as the "false positives" cases — a term stemming from military jargon that used "positive" to identify a slain enemy combatant. The bulk of the killings occurred from 2002 to 2008 during the presidency of Alvaro Uribe. U.N. investigators deemed

the crimes "widespread and systematic."

Washington provided more than \$2 billion in assistance to Colombia's military when most of the killings occurred, but U.S. lawmakers are currently withholding at least \$10 million in military aid over objections to the new law, said Tim Riser, a senior aide to U.S. Sen. Patrick Leahy, who is chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

How much U.S. money went to Colombian military units guilty of "false positives" is unclear. No breakdown is publicly available. A 1997 law named after Leahy prohibits U.S. funding of foreign military units with members facing credible accusations of rights abuses. Colombian units have been denied aid under the Leahy law, and the State Department, in response to an Associated Press query, characterized its unit vetting as "rigorous."

Peace activist John Lindsay-Poland of the U.S.-

based Fellowship of Reconciliation is compiling a false positives database and says U.S. monitoring was sloppy before his group issued a 2010 report detailing abusive units that received U.S. aid.

The military reform will only increase impunity, said Jose Miguel Vivanco, Americas director for the watchdog group Human Rights Watch, calling it a loophole-filled "major setback for human rights."

Under the law, Colombia's military courts would try all violations of international humanitarian law committed by armed services members except seven types of crimes against humanity, including sexual violence, forced disappearance and extrajudicial killings. But the law narrows the definition of extrajudicial killings, which rights activists say means an increased possibility that such crimes will be sent to military judges. It limits the definition of such

killings to circumstances in which, among other requirements, the victim was "under the control of the state agent" and "did not try to escape."

Because extrajudicial killings did not previously exist as a crime, activists also fear cases from before the law's enactment could be transferred to military judges.

Santos promises that any war crimes committed by Colombia's security forces will be punished, just as he insists FARC war criminals will not be allowed to evade justice.

"I don't understand why (human rights activists) believe that transitional justice has anything to do with the 'false positives,'" Santos, who was defense minister from 2006 to 2009, said in a recent AP interview.

The president says the killings were not systematic, which is also the contention of active and retired military officers.

"It is completely false to say it was a policy of state," said retired Gen. Carlos Suarez. As armed forces inspector general, he led the 2008 investigation after the scandal broke that prompted the dismissal of 27 officers, three of them generals.

International Criminal Court prosecutors are skeptical.

In a November 2012 report, they said "existing (judicial) proceedings have largely failed to focus on the persons who might bear the greatest responsibility" while Colombian prosecutors "perpetuated rather than diminished impunity" by largely failing to expose the circumstances of killings organized "at least at the level of certain brigades." □



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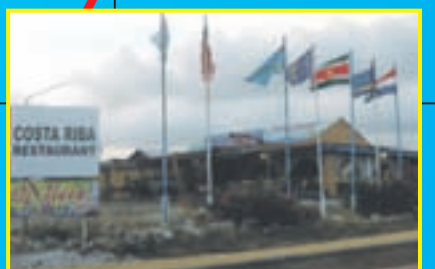
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Pats stun Saints 30-27 on TD with 5 seconds left

FOXBOROUGH, Massachusetts (AP) — Tom Brady's 17-yard touchdown pass to Kenbrell Thompkins with 5 seconds left gave the New England Patriots a wild 30-27 win and knocked the New Orleans Saints from the ranks of the unbeaten Sunday. It capped a 70-yard drive in which the Patriots marched downfield with no timeouts after getting the ball with 1:08 to go. The Saints (5-1) had taken a 24-23 lead with 3:29 remaining on Drew Brees' 34-yard touchdown pass to Kenny Stills, but couldn't put away New England. The Patriots (5-1) survived an interception by Keenan Lewis on their first snap after Garrett Hartley's 39-yard field goal made it 27-23.

PACKERS 19, RAVENS 17

BALTIMORE (AP) — Aaron Rodgers threw a 64-yard touchdown pass to Jordy Nelson, Mason Crosby kicked four field goals as Green Bay held on to beat Baltimore.

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New England Patriots wide receiver Kenbrell Thompkins (85) catches the winning touchdown pass against New Orleans Saints cornerback Jabari Greer (33) in the fourth quarter of an NFL football game Sunday, Oct. 13, 2013, in Foxborough, Mass. The Patriots won 30-27.



Players pile up in the Florida Panthers net as the Los Angeles Kings attempt a goal during the second period of an NHL hockey game, Sunday, Oct. 13, 2013, in Sunrise, Fla. The Kings beat the Panthers 3-0.

Associated Press

Scrivens stellar as Kings beat Panthers 3-0

SUNRISE, Florida (AP) — Ben Scrivens made 20 saves for his third career shutout and the Los Angeles Kings beat the Florida Panthers 3-0 on Sunday.

Jordan Nolan had a goal and an assist. Justin Williams and Daniel Carcillo also scored for the Kings, who won their third straight game.

Scrivens, acquired in a trade with Toronto in June, made his first start of the season. Regular goalie Jonathan Quick rested

while Scrivens recorded his first shutout since a 3-0 victory for the Maple Leafs at Florida on Feb. 18.

Jacob Markstrom had 26 saves for Florida, which has lost four of its past five games.

COYOTES 5, HURRICANES 3

RALEIGH, North Carolina (AP) — Rob Klinkhammer scored his second goal of the game 22 seconds into the third period to help Phoenix get the victory. Shane Doan, Mikkel Boedker and Lauri Korpikoski had

Phoenix's other goals. Mike Smith made 31 saves for the Coyotes, who closed a five-game road trip by winning the final three.

Eric Staal, Riley Nash and Jeff Skinner scored for the Hurricanes. Cam Ward made nine saves after coming on with 10:08 left in the second period to replace starter Anton Khudobin. Khudobin suffered a lower-body injury when he skated out to play the puck. Ward allowed three of Phoenix's goals. □



Walker wins on PGA Tour and gets trip to Masters

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(AP) — Jimmy Walker finally won on the PGA Tour in his eighth year and 188th tournament, and with a little help from Brooks Koepka. Tied for the lead with four holes to play Sunday, Walker rolled in a 6-foot birdie putt on the 15th hole to take the lead for good in the Frys.com Open. Three closing pars for a 5-under 66 turned out to be more than enough for the 34-year-old Texan to take home a trophy and plenty of perks. Walker is going to the Masters for the first time, along with a trip to Maui for the Tournament of Championship. He also cracked the top 50 for the first time in his career.

"I think it will sink in after a while," Walker said. "Relief right now. It feels really good. I'm pretty excited." It was a sinking feeling for Koepka, whose journey around the world in a remarkable year nearly ended with a PGA Tour card.

Koepka had a four-shot lead with 11 holes to play, and the 23-year-old Floridian looked as poised and confident as he had all week at CordeValle. There was a tiny crack when he missed a 3-foot par putt on the ninth hole, and it really caught up with him at the end. Koepka missed a 6-foot putt on the 15th that would have matched birdies with Walker, who was playing in the group ahead of him. Koepka then missed his tee shot wildly to the left on the 16th hole and had to scramble for bogey. Down to his last shot, he hit into the water on the 297-yard, par-4 17th for another bogey.

"Things weren't going my way," Koepka said. "I didn't make the shots I needed to win. Congrats to Jimmy on that. I'll try to learn from the whole experience." Vijay Singh closed with a 68 and wound up with the 27th runner-up finish of his Hall of Fame career, and his best result since he sued the PGA Tour in May over its handling of the investigation into Singh admitting he used deer antler spray.

Koepka, who closed with a 72, wound up in a tie for third with Kevin Na, Puerto Rico winner Scott Brown and Hideki Matsuyama, the 21-year-old Japanese star who is playing the PGA Tour for the first time. He was in the Presidents Cup last week.

The Frys.com Open is the season opener in the new PGA Tour schedule, which starts in October instead of January for the first time in history. Instead of a Fall Series event where players mainly were trying to make money to keep their cards, the tournament offered all the perks of any other regular PGA Tour event.

That much was evident when a yellow Masters flag was stuffed into the silver trophy.

Walker played Augusta National for the first time about five years ago with his dad and a member. He can't wait to go back for the Masters.

Koepka was playing on a sponsor's exemption that he received without asking — tournament officials identified him as a potential star when he started the year with no status on any tour and won three times on the Challenge Tour to earn his European

Tour card. He qualified for the British Open the day after his third Challenge Tour win. He was between stops in Scotland and Shanghai, and now his plans are slightly altered. Koepka's finish gets him into Las Vegas next week before he goes back to the European Tour for the BMW Masters in China. □



Jimmy Walker hits on to the 5th green during the final round of the Frys.com Open golf tournament, Sunday, Oct. 13, 2013, in San Martin, Calif. Associated Press



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Minnesota Vikings running back Adrian Peterson warms up before an NFL football game against the Carolina Panthers in Minneapolis, Sunday, Oct. 13, 2013. One of the star running back's sons, a 2-year-old in South Dakota, died Friday after an alleged attack in a child abuse case.

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Eddie Lacy rushed for 120 yards to fuel the Packers' first road win of the season. Green Bay (3-2) took a 16-3 lead into the fourth quarter and was up 19-10 with 4 minutes left, but the Ravens (3-3) kept coming back.

After Baltimore closed to 19-17 on an 18-yard touch-down pass from Joe Flacco to Dallas Clark with 2:04 remaining, Rodgers clinched the victory with a 52-yard completion to Jermichael Finley on a third-and-3.

Rodgers went 17 for 32 for 315 yards.

Despite playing without injured linebacker Clay Matthews, the Packers limited Baltimore to 47 yards rushing and registered five sacks, including three by A.J. Hawk.

The defending Super Bowl champion Ravens had won 13 straight at home against NFC foes.

BRONCOS 35, JAGUARS 19 DENVER (AP) — Peyton Manning threw for two scores and Knowshon Moreno ran for three to lead Denver to a tougher-than-expected victory over winless Jacksonville.

The Broncos (6-0) came in as 27-point favorites, and much of the pregame hype centered on whether they'd cover the spread and when Manning would come out of the game.

Neither happened.

Manning finished 28 for 42 for 295 yards, but lost two fumbles and threw a pick-6 — a 59-yard interception return by Paul Posluszny that pulled the Jaguars (0-6) within 14-12 at halftime. It was a two-point game late in the third quarter, before Moreno scored his last touchdown, an 8-yard run, for a 28-19 lead. Moreno finished with 42 yards.

Justin Blackmon had 14 catches for 190 yards for Jacksonville.

CHIEFS 24, RAIDERS 7 KANSAS CITY, Missouri (AP) — Jamaal Charles ran for two touchdowns and the Kansas City defense harassed Oakland quarterback Terrelle Pryor into throwing three second-half

interceptions as the Chiefs remained unbeaten.

After winning just twice last season, Kansas City (6-0) continued the second-best start in franchise history. The Chiefs won their first nine games during the 2003 season.

The Chiefs piled up 10 sacks while ending a three-game skid to the Raiders (2-4), and a six-game losing streak against them at Arrowhead Stadium.

Pryor threw for 216 yards and a touchdown, but his interceptions proved costly.

The first led to Charles' go-ahead touchdown run, the second led to Ryan Succop's fourth-quarter field goal, and Husain Abdullah returned the last one for a touchdown to seal the win.

STEELERS 19, JETS 6

EAST RUTHERFORD, New Jersey (AP) — Ben Roethlisberger threw a 55-yard touchdown pass to Emmanuel Sanders and Shaun Suisham kicked four field goals as Pittsburgh won its first game of the season.

The Steelers (1-4) were off to their worst start since 1968, when they lost their first six games during a season in which they finished 2-11-1. Sunday's victory was also the 600th in franchise history, including the postseason, as Pittsburgh became only the fourth team to reach the milestone.

Pittsburgh was coming off a bye-week break and appeared quite a bit sharper than New York (3-3), which had a short week to prepare after a 30-28 win at Atlanta last Monday night. Geno Smith was intercepted twice by a Steelers defense that entered the game as the only team in the league without a take-away.

PANTHERS 35, VIKINGS 10 MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Cam Newton threw three touchdown passes and ran for another score as Carolina romped past Adrian Peterson and Minnesota.

Peterson finished with 62 yards on 10 carries and 21 yards on three receptions,



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Germany's John Degenkolb, center, sprints to the finish line to win the Paris-Tours cycling race, a 235 kilometer (146 mile) one day race, in Tours, central France, Sunday, Oct. 13, 2013. Michael Morkov of Denmark, center right, finished second and Arnaud Demare of France, left, finished third. Associated Press

Germany's Degenkolb wins Paris-Tours classic

TOURS, France (AP) — German rider John Degenkolb beat Michael Morkov of Denmark and Arnaud Demare of France in a mass sprint to win the Paris-Tours classic on Sunday.

Degenkolb completed the 235-kilometer (146-mile) trek from Authon-du-Perche to Tours in 5 hours, 29 minutes, 19 seconds. Morkov took second and Demare third.

"It was a fast and hectic race," Degenkolb said. "The situation was always changing. We had a good plan and I think we rode a smart race. There was always someone from our team in the important groups, and there was always someone to take responsibility for the chase." Defending champion Marco Marcato of Italy attacked in the Cote de Beau Soleil and was followed by six riders - Degenkolb, Morkov, Jetse Bol of the Netherlands, Sep Vanmarcke of Belgium as well as Frenchmen Demare and Sylvain Chavanel.

Bol escaped six kilometers (4 miles) from the finish but could not hold off a late charge from the pack in

the last kilometer.

Degenkolb was tipped as a strong favorite after winning the Paris-Bourges race on Thursday. Demare made his move on the Avenue de Grammont but was overtaken by the powerful Argos-Shimano rider, who earned his sixth victory of the season.

"He raced a really classy race," Argos-Shimano manager Christian Guiber-teau said. "He was the top favorite, and that's not an easy position to be in. But he was always in control in the finale and no one could stop him in the end." Bryan Coquard of France, a 2012 Olympic runner-up in the omnium, fell in a crash about 24 kilometers from the finish. The Frenchman managed to get back on to his bike and rejoined the pack but was out of contention in the sprint.

In the first hour of the race, Sebastian Lander of Denmark, Aleksejs Saramotins of Latvia and Frenchmen Yannick Martinez and Julien Duval broke away to build a lead that stretched to 11 minutes. But the pack reeled them in with 11 kilometers left. □

Kenya's Dennis Kimetto wins Chicago Marathon

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CHICAGO (AP) — Dennis Kimetto of Kenya broke the course record Sunday in capturing the Chicago Marathon, and compatriot Rita Jeptoo was the women's winner in the first major marathon in the United States since the Boston bombings.

Kimetto finished in 2 hours, 3 minutes, 45 seconds, leading a 1-2-3 finish for Kenyan men. He beat the mark of 2:04:38 set by Ethiopia's Tsegaye Kebede last year. He pulled away from Emmanuel Mutai over the last few miles and was all alone with both arms raised as he crossed the finish line.

It was his second major victory this year to go with a win at Tokyo in February. Before the race, there was a 30-second moment of silence to honor the victims of the Boston bombings. Mutai (2:03:52), the 2011 London winner, also beat Kebede's time but finished seven seconds off the lead. Sammy Kitwara (2:05:16) was third.

Jeptoo followed up her victory at Boston by easily taking the women's raise, finishing in 2:19:57 after losing in a sprint a year ago. There was no one near Jeptoo as she turned into Grant Park, wearing a wide grin and waving to the crowd.

Jemima Sumgong Jelegat of Kenya (2:20:48) was second, followed by Maria Konovalova of Russia (2:22:46).

The winners each earned \$100,000. Kimetto gets an additional \$75,000 for the course record, while Jeptoo gets another \$40,000 for finishing under 2:20:00.



Dennis Kimetto of Kenya crosses the finish line to win the Chicago Marathon on Sunday, Oct. 13, 2013, in Chicago.

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On a sunny day with the forecast calling for temperatures to hit the high 50s when the top runners finished, conditions were close to ideal. But there was a different feel to this event in the wake of the Boston Marathon bombings, which killed three people and injured more than 260 others.

Police promised heightened security. More than a thousand uniformed and undercover officers and more bomb-sniffing dogs were expected to mix with the crowd along a course winding through 29 neighborhoods. Officers inside a command post were monitoring pictures coming in from helicopters and the city's 22,000 cameras, the most extensive surveillance system in the nation.

The Department of Homeland Security designated the marathon a "level two" event, a notch below massive gatherings such as the Super Bowl, which meant more federal agents with their own high-tech monitoring equipment.

Runners also saw changes.

They only used clear plastic bags issued by organizers to store their belongings near the finish line. They had to pick up their own packets, with race bibs and tracking devices, rather than friends or family.

Kimetto and Mutai started to surge ahead around the 19th mile, only to have fellow Kenyans Sammy Kitwara and Micah Kogo stayed with them. They faded after the group passed through Chinatown. Kimetto ultimately took control over the last few miles.

The world record of 2:03:23 was in sight, set by Wilson Kipsang of Kenya in Berlin two weeks ago. But ultimately, Kimetto settled for the course mark.

The 32-year-old Jeptoo had it easy down the stretch this time. Last year, she traded leads with Atsede Baysa of Ethiopia down the stretch and lost a step.

Six months later, Jeptoo won her second Boston Marathon, a victory that was overshadowed by tragedy. □



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Djokovic beats del Potro to win Shanghai Masters

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SHANGHAI (AP) — Novak Djokovic maintained his dominance in China by holding off Juan Martin del Potro 6-1, 3-6, 7-6 (3) on Sunday to capture a second Shanghai Masters title and extend his winning streak in the country to 20 consecutive matches.

The Serb completed a back-to-back sweep of titles at the China Open in Beijing and the Shanghai Masters for the second straight year. He's now captured seven titles overall in China — the most he's won in any country.

Djokovic had to overcome a strong challenge from del Potro, who fended off two match points late in the third set, but couldn't put any pressure on Djokovic's serve down the stretch and appeared to fade in the

tiebreaker.

"He's a big fighter. All the way up to the last point, I don't know if I'm going to win the match," Djokovic said. "His forehand is one of the best in the game, one of the best I've ever played against. It's a huge weapon and once it's on, it's very dangerous."

For Djokovic, the title has added significance coming just days after he relinquished his top ranking to Rafael Nadal, who lost to del Potro in the semifinals. He can't retake the top spot this week, but Djokovic has been focused on finishing the year strongly to stay within striking distance.

"Considering the rankings, I put myself in a better position right now with back to back wins," the six-time Grand Slam winner said. "But the fact that if I would win, I would put myself in a



Serbia's Novak Djokovic stumbles as he returns a shot to Juan Martin del Potro of Argentina during the singles final of the Shanghai Masters tennis tournament at Qizhong Forest Sports City Tennis Center, in Shanghai, China, Sunday, Oct. 13, 2013. Djokovic won 6-1, 3-6, 7-6.

Associated Press

better position, did not affect my motivation. My motivation is there always, especially when I'm playing finals of such a big event." It was a tough loss for del Potro, who was trying to win his maiden Masters title at his third attempt. He was coming off a title last week

at the Japan Open in Tokyo, and he got his first win over Nadal in four years in the semifinals in Shanghai. Del Potro overpowered Nadal so completely in that match, the Spaniard later said: "Very few times I played against a player with a level like today."

Del Potro served notice, however, that he's fully fit and confident again after a wrist injury nearly derailed his career after his breakthrough win at the 2009 U.S. Open.

He's back up to the No. 5 ranking — his highest in three years — and has beaten Djokovic, Nadal and Andy Murray this year. He also scored one of the biggest wins of his career over Djokovic at the London Olympics last year, where he beat the Serb in the bronze medal match. "I think I'm playing even better than many years ago," he said. "I got good things on my career this year. I couldn't win a Grand Slam like I did in 2009, but I reach finals in the 1000 (level) Masters. I already win three tournaments. I beat the top guys, which is fantastic for me." The match looked like it

might be a runaway win for Djokovic early on as he raced out to a 5-0 lead in the first set by dictating play with precise groundstrokes and keeping a sluggish del Potro on the defensive. But the momentum shifted in the second set when del Potro began connecting on his serve and cracking the same forehand winners he used to sweep Nadal off the court in straight sets in the previous round.

He broke Djokovic to take an early lead, then played a magnificent game to save three break points to hold for 5-2 before closing out the set. The Argentine appeared to tire slightly as the third set wore on. During one changeover, the chair umpire, Damien Dumusois, warned him that he needed to speed up play between points. "Even after a long rally?" Del Potro asked, looking up wearily. Dumusois nodded yes.

Djokovic had two match points on del Potro's serve at 4-5 in the set, but the Argentine saved them both. The Serb then pulled away in the tiebreaker by hitting a forehand winner to finish off a 24-shot rally to take a 4-2 lead, leaving del Potro unable to manage another comeback.

During the trophy presentation, Djokovic tried to console an obviously disappointed del Potro, one of his better friends on the tour. "You're a great person and an even better player on the court," Djokovic said. "I'm sorry you lost today. You deserve this trophy equally."

"What can I say, man, I'm trying to be nice to you," he added, smiling, before giving the Argentine a hug. Del Potro later joked: "Now we are not too close." □

Top-seed Kerber beats Ivanovic in Linz final

LINZ, Austria (AP) — Top-seeded Angelique Kerber won her first WTA title of the season and third overall by defeating two-time former champion Ana Ivanovic 6-4, 7-6 (6) at the Generali Ladies on Sunday.

It was Kerber's third final of the year after losing to Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova of Russia in Monterrey in April and to Petra Kvitova of Czech Republic in Tokyo two weeks ago. The 10th-ranked German improved her record in finals to 3-5.

"This is an incredible feeling," said Kerber, who qualified for the season-ending WTA Championships by reaching the semifinals this



Germany's Angelique Kerber reacts during her final match against Serbia's Ana Ivanovic at the Generali Ladies tennis tournament in Linz, Austria, Sunday, Oct. 13, 2013. Kerber defeated Ivanovic with 6-4 and 7-6.

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week. "This victory means a lot to me. I will go to the 'masters' with lots of confidence now." Kerber didn't initially intend to play in Linz

but was given a late wildcard entry to replace Kvitova after the former Wimbledon champion pulled out with a back injury. □



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'Bionic man' walks, breathes with artificial parts

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AP Technology Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Gentlemen, we can rebuild him, after all. We have the technology.

The term "bionic man" was the stuff of science fiction in the 1970s, when a popular TV show called "The Six Million Dollar Man" chronicled the adventures of Steve Austin, a former astronaut whose body was rebuilt using artificial parts after he nearly died.

Now, a team of engineers have assembled a robot using artificial organs, limbs and other body parts that comes tantalizingly close to a true "bionic man." For real, this time.

The artificial "man" is the subject of a Smithsonian Channel documentary that airs Sunday, Oct. 20. Called "The Incredible Bionic Man," it chronicles engineers' attempt to assemble a functioning body using artificial parts that range from a working kid-

ney and circulation system to cochlear and retina implants.

The parts hail from 17 manufacturers around the world. This is the first time they've been assembled together, says Richard Walker, managing director of Shadow Robot Co. and the lead roboticist on the project.

"(It's) an attempt to showcase just how far medical science has gotten," he says.

The robot making appearances in the U.S. for the first time this week. Having crossed the Atlantic tucked inside two metal trunks — and after a brief holdup in customs — the bionic man will strut his stuff at the New York Comic Con festival on Friday.

Walker says the robot has about 60 to 70 percent of the function of a human. It stands six-and-a-half feet tall (1.85-meter tall) and can step, sit and stand with the help of a Rex walking machine that's used

by people who've lost the ability to walk due to a spinal injury. It also has a functioning heart that, using an electronic pump, beats and circulates artificial blood, which carries oxygen just like human blood. An artificial, implantable kidney, meanwhile, replaces the function of a modern-day dialysis unit.

Although the parts used in the robot work, many of them are a long way from being used in humans. The kidney, for example, is only a prototype. And there are some key parts missing: there's no digestive system, liver, or skin. And, of course, no brain.

The bionic man was modeled after Bertolt Meyer, a 36-year-old social psychologist at the University of Zurich who was born without his lower left arm and wears a bionic prosthesis. The man's face was created based on a 3D scan of Meyer's face.

"We wanted to showcase



In this Wednesday, Oct. 9, 2013 photo provided by Showtime, Bertolt Meyer, a social psychologist for the University of Zurich, poses for a photo in New York. Meyer is the face of the the Bionic Man and is featured in the Smithsonian Channel original documentary, "The Incredible Bionic Man."

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that the technology can provide aesthetic prostheses for people who have lost parts of their faces, for example, their nose, due to an accident or due to, for example, cancer," Meyer says. Meyer says he initially felt a sense of unease when he saw the robot for the first time. "I thought it was rather revolting to be honest," he says. "It was quite a shock to see a face that closely resembles what I see in the

mirror every morning on this kind of dystopian looking machine."

He has since warmed up to it, especially after the "man" was outfitted with some clothes from the U.K. department store Harrods. And the cost? As it turns out, this bionic man comes cheaper than his \$6-million-dollar sci-fi cousin. While the parts used in the experiment were donated, their value is about \$1 million. □



This Jan. 3, 2013 file photo shows a Google sign at the company's headquarters in Mountain View, Calif. Google wants your permission to use your name, photo and product reviews in ads that it sells to businesses.

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Google wants your permission to use your name, photo and product reviews in ads that it sells to businesses.

The Internet search giant

is changing its terms of service starting Nov. 11.

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Google to change terms to use your identity in ads

store could show up in ads that are displayed to your friends, connections and the broader public when they search on Google. The company calls that feature "shared endorsements."

Google laid out an example of how this could happen: "Katya Klinova," her face and five-star review appear underneath an ad for Summertime Spas.

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Google said Friday that the name and photo you use in its social network, Google

Plus, is the one that would appear in the ad. Google has said the social network has 390 million active users per month.

"We want to give you - and your friends and connections - the most useful information. Recommendations from people you know can really help," the company said in an explanation of the changes.

The Mountain View, Calif., company already had a similar setting for its "+1" button, which it introduced in 2011. It had experimented

temporarily with putting "+1" endorsements with users' identities in ads, but it hasn't had them up recently. The company said Friday that the choice a user made about allowing for "+1" endorsements would be the default setting for shared endorsements.

Also, if a user chooses to limit an endorsement to certain circles of friends or contacts, that restriction will be respected in any ads that use the endorsement. Google's move follows a similar proposal by Facebook. □

Some hopes for global recovery beyond U.S. impasse

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Worries about a possible U.S. debt default cast a pall over weekend meetings of global financial leaders in Washington. But they ended with some hope over signs that the U.S. and European economies are pulling out of long slumps. During three days of talks revolving around meetings of the 188-nation International Monetary Fund and its sister lending agency, the World Bank, top officials pressed the U.S. to resolve the political impasse over the debt ceiling. The standoff has blocked approval of legislation to increase the government's borrowing limit before a fast-approaching Thursday deadline.

U.S. Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew has warned that he will exhaust his borrowing authority Thursday and the government will face the prospect of defaulting on its debt unless Congress raises the \$16.7 trillion borrowing limit.

"We are now five days away from a very dangerous moment," World Bank President Jim Yong Kim warned at the closing news conference on Saturday. "I urge U.S. policymakers to quickly come to a resolution before they reach the debt ceiling deadline. The closer we get to the deadline, the greater the impact will be for the developing world."

Kim said a default would be a "disastrous event" for poorer countries. It would also be certain to derail the already fragile global economic recovery.

"We know there are problems," Tharman Shanmugaratnam, the head of the IMF's policy-steering committee and Singapore's finance minister, told a news conference at the end of the IMF meeting. "We know there are near-term risks, the most obvious one being what's going on in the U.S. with regard to the fiscal deficit."

But one of the big near-



Jim Yong Kim, left, president, World Bank Group, and Christine Lagarde, International Monetary Fund (IMF) Managing Director talk before a meeting of the Development Committee during the World Bank/IMF Annual Meetings at IMF headquarters Saturday, Oct. 12, 2013, in Washington.

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term concerns, the expectation that the U.S. Federal Reserve will start scaling back its massive stimulus program for the economy, is actually pointing to a positive development, Tharman said.

It means that the U.S. economy is strong enough to withstand a reduction of the stimulus. IMF officials have been forecasting that the strengthening U.S. economy will be a main driver of the global economy in the coming year.

At the same time, developing country economies are slowing and their markets have been unsettled since May by anticipation that the Fed will soon begin tapering its \$85-billion-

a-month bond purchases, which poured cash into the economy to stimulate growth.

"The eventual normalization of monetary policy as economies recover in the West will be a net positive for the emerging economies," Tharman said, meaning that the strength of the major economies will help carry the global economy forward.

Lew told finance ministers that the United States understands the role it plays as "the anchor of the international financial system" and assured them the administration was doing all it could to reach a resolution on the debt.

An effort Saturday to pass a one-year extension of

the borrowing limit failed to get sufficient votes. But in a more hopeful sign, negotiations began between Democratic and Republican Senate leaders to end the impasse.

Mario Draghi, head of the European Central Bank, was one of a number of officials who were guardedly confident that an eleventh-hour deal would be reached, as it has in similar standoffs in the past.

"I still think it is unthinkable that an agreement won't be found," Draghi told reporters Saturday. "If this situation were to last a long time, it would be very negative for the U.S. economy and the world economy and could certainly harm the recovery."

But once Draghi moved beyond the U.S. impasse, he sounded upbeat about the prospects for a European recovery. That in itself is a dramatic turn from the past three years, when global financial leaders were taken up with waves of crisis sweeping across the region and necessitating a series of international rescue loans.

The IMF called on emerging economies, which have been the drivers of the global economy in recent years, to undertake reforms that will help their economies better withstand the scaling back of monetary stimulus in the U.S. and other major economies.

When the stimulus money was flowing, emerging economies benefited from investments as investors were attracted by their relatively higher rates of interest vis-a-vis the United States and other major economies.

But many of those same countries that benefited from capital flows have been rocked since May, as the investment flows reversed and flowed back toward the U.S. as rates here began to rise.

Alexandre Tombini, the head Brazil's central bank, told the IMF steering committee that the worries about the U.S. and global economies might be overblown.

"A while ago there was an excess of exuberance and now perhaps an excess of pessimism," Tombini said. □

Infosys profit down on visa investigation

KAY JOHNSON
AP Business Writer

MUMBAI, India (AP) — Indian IT outsourcing giant Infosys posted a fall in quarterly profit Friday after setting aside funds for a visa-abuse investigation in the United States. Still, the company upgraded its revenue forecast for the year, pleasing investors.

Shares in Infosys rose 4 per-

cent in Mumbai after the company raised the low end of its revenue growth forecast to 9 to 10 percent for the fiscal year ending March 2014, up from 6 to 10 percent.

Infosys said profit for the July-September quarter dropped 11.1 percent from the previous year to \$383 million. Part of that fall was due to \$35 million set aside

for the possible resolution of an ongoing dispute with U.S. authorities over whether it misused temporary visas to bring Indian workers into its largest market.

"Infosys is engaged in discussions with the U.S. Attorney's office and other government departments regarding a civil resolution of the government's investigation into the company's

compliance" with temporary visas for tech workers known as B-1 visas, Infosys said in an addendum to its quarterly report.

Without that \$35 million provision, net profit for the quarter would have been down 2.7 percent. The company said it could not comment further on the investigation because it is ongoing. □



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Social Security raise to be among lowest in years

By **STEPHEN OHLEMACHER**
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — For the second straight year, millions of Social Security recipients, disabled veterans and federal retirees can expect historically small increases in their benefits come January. Preliminary figures suggest a benefit increase of roughly 1.5 percent, which would be among the smallest since automatic increases were adopted in 1975, according to an analysis by The Associated Press.

Next year's raise will be small because consumer prices, as measured by the government, haven't gone up much in the past year.

The exact size of the cost-of-living adjustment, or COLA, won't be known until the Labor Department releases the inflation report for September. That was supposed to happen Wednesday, but the report was delayed indefinitely because of the partial government shutdown.

The COLA is usually announced in October to give Social Security and other benefit programs time to adjust January payments. The Social Security Administration has given no indication that raises would be delayed because of the shutdown, but advocates for seniors said the uncertainty was unwelcome.

Social Security benefits have continued during the shutdown.

More than one-fifth of the country is waiting for the news.

Nearly 58 million retirees, disabled workers, spouses and children get Social

Security benefits. The average monthly payment is \$1,162. A 1.5 percent raise would increase the typical monthly payment by about \$17.

The COLA also affects benefits for more than 3 million disabled veterans, about 2.5 million federal retirees and their survivors, and more than 8 million people who get Supplemental Security Income, the disability program for the poor.

Automatic COLAs were adopted so that benefits for people on fixed incomes would keep up with rising prices. Many seniors, however, complain that the COLA sometimes falls short, leaving them little wiggle room.

David Waugh of Bethesda, Md., said he can handle one small COLA but several in a row make it hard to plan for unexpected expenses.

"I'm not one of those folks that's going to fall into poverty, but it is going to make a difference in my standard of living as time goes by," said Waugh, 83, who retired from the United Nations. "I live in a small apartment and I have an old car, and it's going to break down. And no doubt when it does, I'll have to fix it or get a new one."

Since 1975, annual Social Security raises have averaged 4.1 percent. Only six times have they been less than 2 percent, including this year, when the increase was 1.7 percent. There was no COLA in 2010 or 2011 because inflation was too low.

By law, the cost-of-living adjustment is based on the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers, or CPI-W,



In this Feb. 11, 2005 file photo, trays of printed social security checks wait to be mailed from the U.S. Treasury's Financial Management services facility in Philadelphia.

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a broad measure of consumer prices generated by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. It measures price changes for food, housing, clothing, transportation, energy, medical care, recreation and education. The COLA is calculated by comparing consumer prices in July, August and September each year to prices in the same three months from the previous year. If prices go up over the course of the year, benefits go up, starting with payments delivered in January.

This year, average prices for July and August were 1.4 percent higher than they were a year ago, according to the CPI-W.

Once the September report, the final piece of the puzzle, is released, the COLA can be announced officially. If prices continued to slowly inch up in September, that would put the COLA at roughly 1.5

percent.

Several economists said there were no dramatic price swings in September to significantly increase or decrease the projected COLA. That means the projection shouldn't change by more than a few tenths of a percentage point, if at all.

Polina Vlasenko, a research fellow at the American Institute for Economic Research, projects the COLA will be between 1.4 percent and 1.6 percent. Her projection is similar to those done by others, including AARP, which estimates the COLA will be between 1.5 percent and 1.7 percent. The Senior Citizens League estimates it will be about 1.5 percent. Lower prices for gasoline are helping to fuel low inflation, Vlasenko said.

"In years with high COLA's, a lot of that had to do with fuel prices and in some cases food prices. Neither

of those increased much this year," Vlasenko said. "So that kept the lid on the overall increase in prices." Gasoline prices are down 2.4 percent from a year ago while food prices are up slightly, according to the August inflation report. Housing costs went up 2.3 percent and utilities increased by 3.2 percent.

Advocates for seniors say the government's measure of inflation doesn't accurately reflect price increases older Americans face because they tend to spend more of their income on health care. Medical costs went up less than in previous years but still outpaced other consumer prices, rising 2.5 percent.

"This (COLA) is not enough to keep up with inflation, as it affects seniors," said Max Richtman, who heads the National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare. □

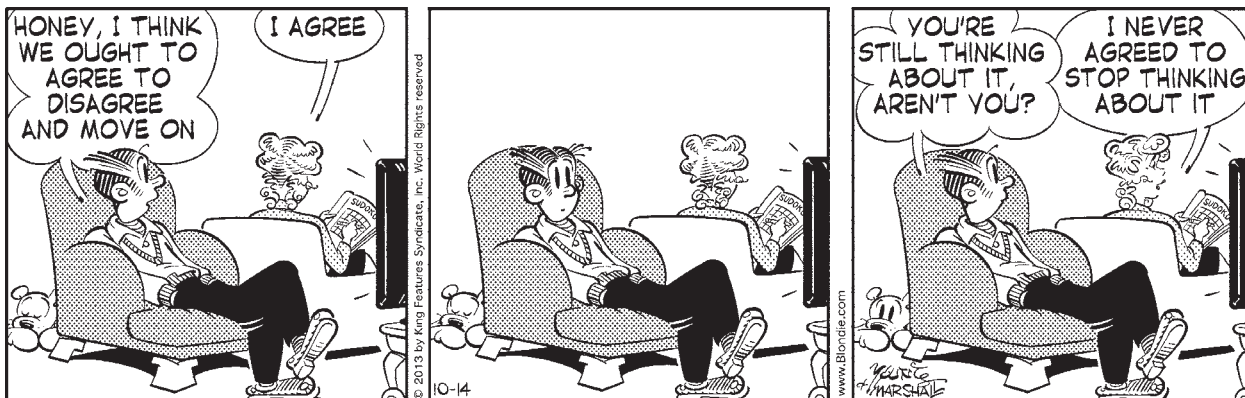
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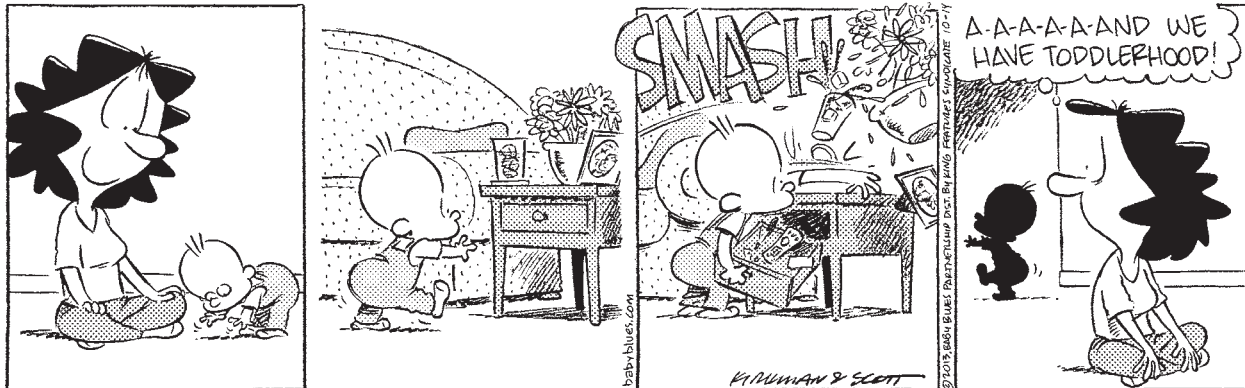
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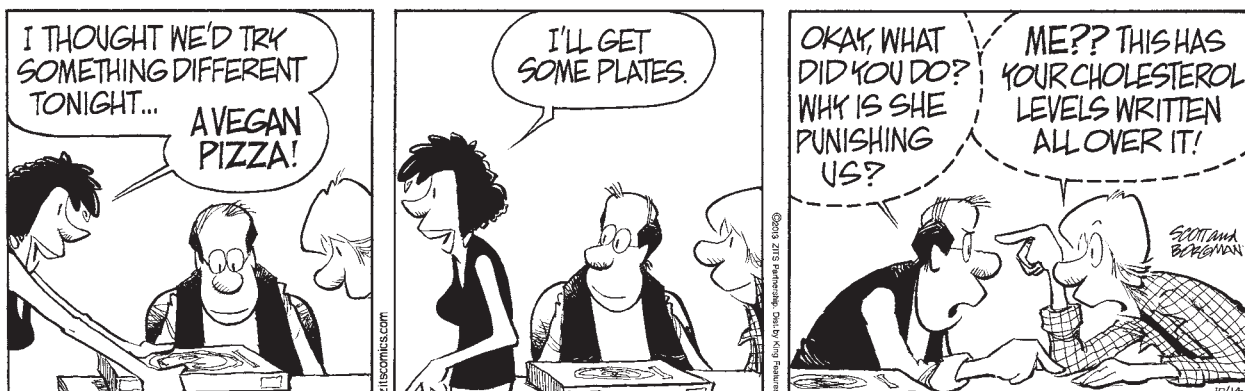
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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

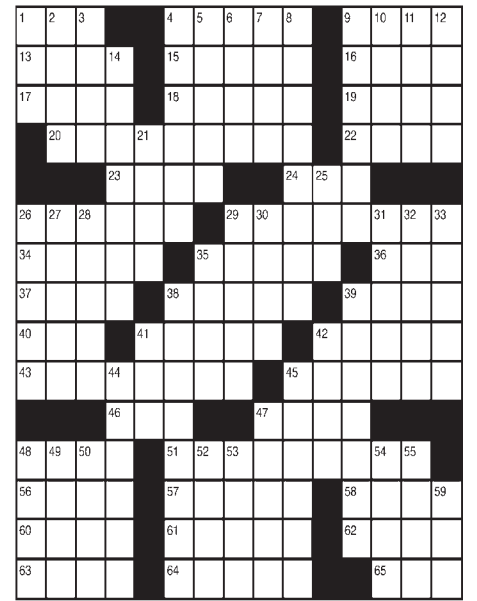
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Saturday's Puzzle Solved

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Growing backlash to government surveillance

MARTHA MENDOZA
AP National Writer
SAN JOSE, California (AP)

— From Silicon Valley to the South Pacific, counterattacks to revelations of widespread National Security Agency surveillance are taking shape, from a surge of new encrypted email programs to technology that sprinkles the Internet with red flag terms to confuse would-be snoops.

Policy makers, privacy advocates and political leaders around the world have been outraged at the near weekly disclosures from former intelligence contractor Edward Snowden that expose sweeping U.S. government surveillance programs.

"Until this summer, people didn't know anything about the NSA," said Center for International Security and Cooperation at Stanford University co-director Amy Zegart. "Their own secrecy has come back to bite them."

Activists are fighting back with high-tech civil disobedience, entrepreneurs want to cash in on privacy concerns, Internet users want to keep snoops out of their computers and lawmakers want to establish stricter parameters.

Some of the tactics are more effective than others. For example, Flagger, a program that adds words like "blow up" and "pressure cooker" to web addresses that users visit, is probably more of a political statement than actually confounding intelligence agents.

Developer Jeff Lyon in Santa Clara, California, said he's delighted if it generates social awareness, and that 2,000 users



Software engineer and entrepreneur Jeff Lyon stands for a photo in San Jose, Calif. on Friday, Oct. 11, 2013. Lyon spent Labor Day weekend developing "Flagger," a program that adds words like "blow up" and "pressure cooker" to web addresses that users visit. "The goal here is to get a critical mass of people flooding the Internet with noise and make a statement of civil disobedience," he said.

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have installed it to date. He said, "The goal here is to get a critical mass of people flooding the Internet with noise and make a statement of civil disobedience."

University of Auckland associate professor Gehan Gunasekara said he's received "overwhelming support" for his proposal to "lead the spooks in a merry dance," visiting radical websites, setting up multiple online identities and making up hypothetical "friends."

And "pretty soon everyone in New Zealand will have to be under surveillance," he said.

Electronic Frontier Foundation activist Parker Higgins in San Francisco has a more direct strategy: by using encrypted email and browsers, he creates more smoke screens for the NSA. "Encryption loses its value as an indicator of possible malfeasance if everyone is using it," he said.

And there are now plenty of encryption programs, many new, and of varying

quality.

"This whole field has been made exponentially more mainstream," said Cryptocat private instant messaging developer Nadim Kobeissi.*



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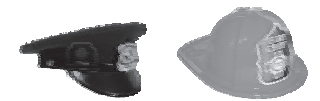


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Greeks hope to save ancient road on subway site

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Associated Press

THESSALONIKI, Greece (AP)

— When a brand-new subway system hits an ancient road, surely something has to give. But in one northern Greek city, archaeologists are fighting to combine the two, against government plans to remove and display elsewhere a large section of an ancient Roman thoroughfare found on a planned subway station.

Some 200 people, including many state-employed archaeologists, on Monday formed a chain round the central Thessaloniki site, beating drums and holding a banner reading “Culture is not business.”

The protest was organized by the Association of Greek Archaeologists, which wants the metro station re-designed to incorporate the ancient remains and has raised more than 12,000 signatures in an online petition to preserve the road.

The 76-meter- (250-foot) long and 7.5-meter-(25-foot) wide stretch of road — a junction of the city’s main road with a smaller street — mostly dates to the 4th century, with 6th



Demonstrators protest outside the construction site of a new subway station in Thessaloniki, Greece, on Monday Oct. 7 2013.

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century additions. Archaeologists also unearthed the remains of a row of shops, including many jewelers’ workshops, a collapsed monumental stone arch, a sewage conduit and water pipes running parallel to the road.

The state-controlled Attiko Metro, which is overseeing work to build Thessaloniki’s subway system, has argued that it would be extremely costly and time-consuming to preserve the entire re-

mains in the metro station. But archaeologist Aristotelis Mentzos told The Associated Press that it was essential to preserve such a chunk of Thessaloniki’s past in its original position.

“It is important for the city that relics of its history be incorporated in its living fabric, the metro network,” said Mentzos, a professor at the University of Thessaloniki.

“They will draw visitors and city dwellers, but at the

same time the city must not be completely alienated from its past.”

Monday’s peaceful protest came a day before Greece’s Supreme Court is expected to discuss an appeal from Thessaloniki’s city council against a Culture Ministry decision to relocate the antiquities for display in another part of the city. The court has already temporarily suspended removal work, pending a final ruling.

Archaeologist Giorgos Velenis insisted that the government’s plans for the remains miss the point.

“Such a complex would have no reason to exist in a different location,” he said. Thessaloniki was founded in the 4th century BC and became an important city during Byzantine times.

Remains of its past stud the modern city center, including mediaeval churches, city walls, a Roman marketplace, a monumental arch and the perfectly preserved Rotunda, a Roman building dating to the 4th century AD that later served as a church.

Work to build a 9.6-kilometer (6-mile) subway network that would ease chronic traffic congestion started in 2006, and is scheduled for completion in 2016. Attiko Metro says it has spent about 75 million euros so far to fund archaeological excavations at construction sites.

The company also oversaw the construction of Athens’ subway, which uncovered a vast wealth of ancient remains. Some were preserved where they were found, with many on public view inside stations, while others were lost. □

New DNA tests say head isn’t French King Henri IV

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AP Medical Writer

LONDON (AP) — Three

years ago, French researchers declared that a centuries-old mummified head was that of the beloved King Henri IV. But now a new study says, “Non!”

The original conclusion was based largely on facial reconstruction techniques and signs the skull had injuries similar to those suffered by the monarch. The new study looked at DNA instead. It found a genetic mismatch between the head and three living male relatives of the 17th-century French king. The researchers concluded the head didn’t come from anybody in the royal lineage.

Henri IV was one of France’s best-loved kings, credited with bringing religious

peace to the country and building Parisian landmarks like the Pont Neuf bridge during his reign from 1589 to 1610. He was the first of the Bourbon monarchs and grandfather of the Sun King Louis XIV.

It’s “impossible” that the head belongs to Henri IV, said Jean-Jacques Cassiman, an emeritus professor at the University of Leuven, one of the authors of the new study. The research was published online Wednesday in the European Journal of Human Genetics.

The same study also found a blood sample previously attributed to King Louis XVI, one of Henri’s descendants, lacked any royal ties. Louis XVI died on the guillotine during the French Revolution and many spectators



This photo dated Thursday Dec. 16, 2010 and provided by Galaxie Presse shows what is believed to be the head of former French King Henry IV pictured in the 1930s.

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reportedly soaked their handkerchiefs in the king’s blood. But Cassiman and colleagues found the lingering traces of powdered blood on the handkerchief they tested did not match the Bourbon family DNA.

Cassiman said he wasn’t sure who the head or the blood sample belonged to. The DNA from both failed to match samples from other royal families on record. Amid the frenzy of the French revolution, the royal tombs at Saint Denis near Paris were dug up and some accounts claim Henri IV’s head got chopped off and stolen. Cassiman and his co-authors dispute that Henri was decapitated and believe the king is still buried in Saint Denis after the tombs were resealed in 1817. □

Duchovny and Anderson say they want more 'X-Files'

ALICIA RANCILIO

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — After 20 years, it's possible for the details of a relationship to get fuzzy.

Just ask David Duchovny and Gillian Anderson, who first premiered their roles as FBI agents Fox Mulder and Dana Scully on "The X-Files" two decades ago. The series aired nine seasons and resulted in two feature films.

While the two were unsure where they left their relationship in the show and films, the 53-year-old Duchovny and 45-year-old Anderson both said they're open to making a third "X-Files" movie.

The actors got together Saturday to mark the 20th Anniversary of the series' premiere. They participated in a panel discussion for fans at The Paley Center for Media in New York.

When asked where their characters left off, the two weren't completely clear on the specifics.

"Well they (Mulder and Scully) were married the last movie," Duchovny



Actors Gillian Anderson and David Duchovny attend "The Truth Is Here: David Duchovny and Gillian Anderson on The X-Files" at The Paley Center for Media on Saturday, Oct. 12, 2013 in New York.

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said, referring to 2008's "The X-Files: I Want to Believe." "Were we actually married?" Anderson asked. "I believe so. That was my impression," he responded.

Their characters did become romantically in-

volved in the TV series and were a couple during the 2008 movie. However, it was not clear whether they were married.

The both are clear, however, about their interest in another "X-Files" film.

"All the principals are on board," including "X-Files" creator Chris Carter, Duchovny said. "Gillian and I

want to do it, so it's really up to Twentieth Century Fox at this point."

Anderson said if fans want another film they should let their voices be heard.

"If it takes fan encouragement to get Fox interested in that then I guess that's what it would be."

An email message sent to Twentieth Century Fox

seeking comment on Saturday was not immediately returned.

For an indefinite future, Duchovny and Anderson spent a lot of time over the weekend promoting the franchise. They appeared at Comic-Con in New York and also took part in a "ask me anything" session on the website Reddit. □

'Hills' star Lauren Conrad announces engagement

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The "Hills" and "Laguna Beach" star Lauren "L.C." Conrad announced Sunday she's engaged to musician William Tell.

The 27-year-old reality TV star and fashion designer posted a photo of her engagement ring on her blog and wrote that she was "beyond thrilled."

Conrad's dating life was famously chronicled on the MTV reality series "Laguna Beach" and then its spin-off "The Hills."

After leaving "The Hills" in 2009, Conrad launched a series of young adult novels based on her life in Los Angeles. □



In this Nov. 8, 2011 file photo, Lauren Conrad arrives at the launch party for the video game "The Elder Scrolls V: Skyrim" in Los Angeles. Conrad announced Sunday, Oct. 13, 2013, that she is engaged to musician William Tell.

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'Gravity' eclipses 'Phillips' at box office

DERRIK J. LANG

AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) —

"Gravity" won't be held down.

The Warner Bros. astronaut adventure directed by Alfonso Cuarón and starring Sandra Bullock and George Clooney landed in the top spot at the box office for the second week-end in a row, according to studio estimates Sunday.

"Gravity" earned \$44.3 million, raising its domestic total to \$123.4 million.

"They say what goes up must come down, but that's not really true with 'Gravity,'" said Paul Dergarabedian, senior media analyst for box office tracker Rentrak. "To have opened as big as it did last week and only drop 21 percent, that's really an amazing hold. It's a direct testament to the word of mouth on the movie."



This film image released by Sony - Columbia Pictures shows Tom Hanks, center, in a scene from "Captain Phillips."

Associated Press.

"Gravity" also fared well overseas, making \$28 million in 38 territories such as Russia, Australia, Germany

and Spain.

Sony's "Captain Phillips" launched in second place with a respectable \$26 mil-

lion. The high seas drama directed by Paul Greengrass stars Tom Hanks as a cargo ship captain who is

held captive by Somali pirates.

"We think the success of 'Gravity' will also bode well for 'Captain Phillips,'" said Rory Bruer, head of distribution for Sony Pictures. "This is the extraordinary kind of film that we think audiences will flock to over the next several months moving forward." The animated Sony movie "Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 2" gobbled up third place in its third weekend with \$14.2 million, bringing its domestic haul to \$78 million.

The weekend's only other new release, "Machete Kills," opened in fourth place with \$3.8 million. The gun-toting sequel from director Robert Rodriguez and starring Danny Trejo and Michelle Rodriguez is the follow-up to "Machete," which earned \$11.4 million when it opened in 2010. □

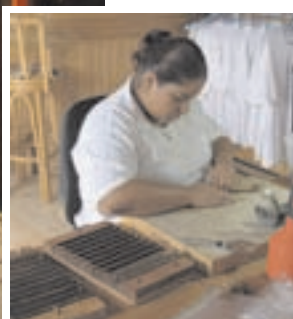
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WASHINGTON - Whenever I want to be called a detestable, insidious proselytizer of political correctness, I just bring up the idea of changing the name of the Redskins at a family dinner. What if our football team's name weren't a slur, I ask brightly. Wouldn't that be nice?

My family may disdain the ineffectively megalomaniacal Daniel Snyder - I gave my sister a "Fire Snyder" T-shirt to wear at games - but they leap to the defense of the Redskins owner at the mere suggestion that he should consider the pleas of American Indians, 10 members of Congress, the president, several sports columnists, prominent publications, little sisters or anyone else who finds the team name offensive.

"Political correctness is like a creeping skin rash in a horror movie," says my brother Kevin, who has been going to Redskins games since he could heckle. "If you don't stop it at the beginning, it just keeps spreading. If the Indians were not asking for this, the liberal elites would do it for them. Even seemingly innocuous nicknames such as Warriors, Braves and Indians may not survive the outcry. The once proud Stanford Indian was replaced by a tree."

My sister argues that the Redskins should not have to change as long as the Atlanta Braves have their Tomahawk Chop and the Cleveland Indians have their logo, Chief Wahoo, a crimson-faced Indian with a big cheesy grin. "Their logo is a disgrace," she says. "At least our logo is a profile of a strong warrior and not someone who looks drunk."

In the middle of budget Armageddon here, President Barack Obama found a moment to address the notoriety about the Washington team name when he was asked about it by The AP. "Obviously, people get pretty attached to team names, mascots," said the president, who recently experienced a racist rodeo clown incident. But, he added: "I've got to say that if I were the owner of the team and I knew that there was a name of my team - even if it had a storied history - that was offending a sizable group of people, I'd think about changing it."

The NFL commissioner, Roger Goodell, is feeling the heat. He understands Washington a lot better than the stubborn Snyder. Goodell has enough problems with the league being stigma-

tized for allegedly cloaking the dangers of concussions. (Even Obama has said that, if he had a son, he would think long and hard before letting him play football.)

Goodell doesn't want Congress pressing safety issues with the NFL and he doesn't want to alienate people with bigotry. So why not appease critics on a name? When Snyder vowed never to change it, Goodell backed him up, calling the name a "unifying force that stands for strength, courage, pride and respect." But as the tempest whirled, Goodell has jumped off Dan's bus.

At the end of the NFL fall meeting here on Tuesday, Goodell told reporters that he grew up in Washington rooting for the Redskins and never considered the name "derogatory." But, he added, "we need to listen, carefully listen, and make sure we're doing what's right."

The Oneida Indian Nation grabbed the chance to hold a "Change the Mascot" symposium Monday at a Georgetown hotel. Ray Halbritter, a nation representative, called the Redskins name a "racial slur" and D.C. Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton said it was no more a term of endearment than "darkies."

Suzan Shown Harjo, a citizen of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes who lives here, told The New York Times' Ken Belson that deracinating the name was "king of the mountain because it's associated with the nation's capital, so what happens here affects the rest of the country."

Some big-name sports columnists have sworn off using the name. "It offends too many people," Peter King wrote for Sports Illustrated. Christine Brennan of USA Today agreed: "Try explaining and defending the nickname to a child. It's impossible."

Names are deeply embedded in fans' childhood history with teams and championship seasons. There was a recent kerfuffle in The Washington Post, with some fans wanting to return to the name of the local basketball team that was changed on the grounds it was offensive.

Asked whether he would ever switch the Washington Wizards back to the Bullets, team owner Ted Leonsis was noncommittal. The late Abe Pollin, the previous team owner, dropped the name Bullets in 1997 as a message against gun violence, saying it was in honor of his friend Yitzhak Rabin, assassinated with a pistol. "My father was righteous, maybe even self-righteous," my friend Bob Pollin, Abe's son who is an economics professor, told me. "He had a moral motive for doing this. Now some find the name Wizards wimpy. They think Bullets is cooler, as in Navy SEALs shoot bullets. But I take great pride in my father having done it."

Snyder should change the Redskins name, he said, as "an act of courage and a civic contribution."

All you have to do is watch a Western. The term "redskin" is never a compliment. □



First, the good news



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Good news: The people who track killer asteroids for NASA are still on the case, despite the government shutdown.

Bad news: A lot of the people who inspect food aren't. The folks from the Department of Agriculture who check meatpacking plants are still working. But the guys at the Food and Drug Administration who make routine appearances at, say, the nut-shelling factory to look for vermin, are on furlough. Not to mention a lot of the people who check shipments of seafood or vegetables from outside the country. "They're not doing run-of-the-mill import inspections," said Caroline Smith DeWaal of the Center for Science in the Public Interest. "The FDA is really falling farther behind with every day."

The House of Representatives has passed a bill to refund the FDA. This is part of a Republican strategy to approve the financing of things they like, one by one. It's not entirely clear how popular the agency was before recent news of a salmonella outbreak erupted, but now it's right up there with the national parks.

This is how members of Congress fill up their time during the current crisis. The Republicans introduce bills to fund a particularly sympathetic sector of government. The

Democrats respond with a proposal to fund the whole government. Then the Republicans say the Democrats are the enemy of veterans, parks, national guardsmen or food inspections.

"Why don't we open the parts of government that we agree to?" demanded Sen. Rand Paul of Kentucky.

"We'll be here in December, doing agency by agency," responded Dick Durbin, the assistant majority leader.

And the Environmental Protection Agency would still be on furlough. Also the Labor Department. And the Internal Revenue Service.

The IRS would probably be the last to return. That would be very tough on people who have serious issues they need to resolve. For instance, my husband, Dan, recently received a notice from the agency announcing that he was dead. Apparently this is a fairly common error, but Dan wants to be bureaucratically resurrected, and there's nobody on the other end of the phone to talk to. Really, it's all personal. In fact, a good way to think about the current standoff is that it's a war between people who just want to have the government back and the people who want a new version of government with the priorities of Rep. Ted Yoho of Florida.

I am using Ted Yoho because he's a voluble figure in the caucus of right-wing hard-liners in the House who caused the shutdown in the first place. Also in part because I really enjoy writing "Ted Yoho." Also because he has also been one of the leading lights in the new crisis over whether to let the country go smashing through the debt ceiling.

"Everybody talks about how destabilizing doing this will be on the markets. And you'll see that initially, but heck, I've seen that in my business," Yoho told Jonathan Weisman of The New York Times.

"When you go through that, and you address the problem and you address your creditors and say, 'Listen, we're going to pay you.

We're just not going to pay you today, but we're going to pay you with interest and we will pay everybody that's due money' - if you did that, the world would say America is finally addressing their problem."

Yoho was one of the very first members of Congress to verbalize the what-the-hey theory of global finance, possibly because he had all that background in debt management from his business, which is being a large-animal veterinarian.

A number of Republicans have begun using their life sagas to support similar theories.

"We have in my household budget some bills that have to be paid and some bills that we can defer or only pay partially," Rep. Joe Barton of Texas said on CNBC. "I think paying interest on the debt has to be paid. I think paying Social Security payments have to be paid. But I don't think paying the secretary of energy's travel expenses have to be paid 100 cents on the dollar."

This sort of suggests that some members of Congress regard the Department of the Treasury as a vast warren of people with checkbooks, sorting through the mail and writing apologetic notes to Delta and JetBlue explaining the problem. It most definitely suggests that you do not want to lend money to a lot of people in the House of Representatives.

But back to our list:

Good news: The congressional gym is open.

OK, possibly only good news if you are a member of Congress. Or a person who enjoys making fun of members of Congress.

Good news: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention called back some of its furloughed employees to try to control that salmonella outbreak.

Bad news: Most of the CDC is still at home, including the ones who work on flu.

And our moral is: Get your flu shot, people. Cook your chicken well. Cross your fingers and pray. □

At Palm Beach Plaza Mall: Aruba's Majestic Carnival Season Comes To Life!



PALM BEACH - Palm Beach Plaza Mall new majestic carnival season has started at Aruba's largest mall. The Aruba Carnival is a thrilling show of over-the-top pageantry, produced by thousands and delighting and uniting the entire country. Here's the scoop on how it

began. Carnival was born in 1954, as a series of small street festivals. The Tivoli Club, Aruba's oldest private social club, was the first to have a pre-Lenten celebration in Oranjestad in February 1944. The Allied victory of World War II was



commemorated by an Aruba Festival - a large parade in San Nicolas comprised largely of Caribbe-

an-English immigrants who came to Aruba to work at the Lago Oil Refinery. The first steel and brass bands debuted a few years later and small parades sprouted here and there. Today Palm Beach Plaza Mall will have a great Carnival Show where you can experience for yourself the taste of Aruba's Carnival culture with the opportunity to take pictures with the majestic carnival dancers with carnival costumes. Come and enjoy the show! □



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